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Groetschel (fnu), main section chief, was held at the Ministry of the Interior on Glinkastrasse in Berlin. Present were the 15 presidents of the district councils, Professor Moeller (fmu), Peters (fmu), Schubert, head of the Meteorological and Hydrological Service, Kallweit, head of the Amt fuer Wasserwirtschaft, and Walter Keul of the State Secretariat, Shipping. One of the items on the agenda was the discussion of a bill concerning the formation of a Central Emergency Commission to replace the Central Flood Commission. Another topic of discussion was the damage caused by the flood at Schwedt on the Oder River, which was estimated at 600,000 eastmarks, and involved the moving of 32,000 cubic meters of earth at the dikes. Schubert, head of the Meteorological and Hydrological Service, gave a survey of the flood information service in East Germany. The project of water waste utilization of the city of Dresden was discussed. The execution of this project, which had been drafted by the Berlin Operations Office of the VEB Oder/Neisse (sic), would require an amount of 10,000,000 eastmarks.

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